

HOUSE BILL 1925
By Brooks (Shelby)

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4,
Chapter 7, relative to racial profiling study by
Tennessee highway patrol.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 7, Part 1, is amended by
adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

4-7-1__.

(a) The Tennessee highway patrol shall conduct a study which shall
include recording and retaining the following information:

- (1) The number of persons stopped for traffic violations;
- (2) Characteristics of race, color, ethnicity, gender and age of
such persons, provided the identification of such characteristics shall be
based on the observation and perception of the law enforcement officer
responsible for reporting the stop and the information shall not be
required to be provided by the person stopped;
- (3) The nature of the alleged traffic violation that resulted in the
stop;
- (4) Whether a warrant or citation was issued, an arrest made or a
search conducted as a result of the stop; and
- (5) If a search was conducted, the type of search and the legal
basis for that search, and whether contraband was discovered and
property was seized.

(b) The Tennessee highway patrol shall begin reporting such information described in subsection (a) on July 1, 2006, and shall report any findings from such data to the general assembly by March 1, 2007.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.